

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Yoshinobu SAITO et al.

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ITS USE

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Examiner: DELCOTTO, GREGORY R

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Amendment under 37 C.F.R. 1.116

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents

P.O. Box 1450

Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to a final office action mailed July 28, 2008 for the above-identified application, please reconsider based on the following remarks and evidence.

This response is filed on Monday, December 29, 2008 and December 28 (the 5 month deadline) fell on a Sunday. Accordingly, a two month extension of time and notice of appeal payment is made by credit card. An extension of time request form (SB/22) and a notice of appeal form (SB/31) are provided.

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